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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM - MISS ANNIE WING-YEE YAU

REF: CU/IVP/MR. PATMAN TO HITCHCOCK MEMO OF JULY 19

1. POST REQUESTS THAT MISS ANNIE WING-YEE YAU CURRENTLY ATTENDING IMF COURSE ON FINANCIAL ANALYSIS AND POLICY, BE CONSIDERED FOR A PARTIAL GRANT. BOTH HER SUPERVISOR AND THE POST BELIEVE THAT HER PRESENCE IN THE U.S. FOR THIS SEMINAR PROVIDES IDEAL OPPORTUNITY FOR GIVING THIS PROMISING YOUNG ECONOMIST BROADER EXPOSURE TO THE U.S.
2. AS ECONOMIST, ECONOMIC ANALYSIS DIVISION, ECONOMIC SERVICES BRANCH, COLONIAL SECRETARIAT, HER DUTIES HAVE INCLUDED ASSISTING WITH PRODUCTION OF ECONOMIC REPORTS SUCH AS ECONOMIC BACKGROUND FOR THE BUDGET, HALF-YEAR ECONOMIC REPORT, AND FORECASTS OF DEMAND FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES AND GOVERNMENT REVENUE.
3. MISS YAU WAS BORN IN 1951, RECEIVED BACHELOR SOCIAL SCIENCE DEGREE (ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS), HONG KONG U., 1971, WAS RETAINED BY UNIVERSITY AS DEMONSTRATOR FOR ONE YEAR. JOINED CENSUS AND STATISTICS BUREAU, HONG KONG GOVT., IN 1972 AND IN 1975 WAS TRANSFERRED TO COLONIAL SECRETARIAT. HER SELECTION FOR IMF SEMINAR IS TESTIMONY TO HER SUPERVISOR'S HIGH REGARD FOR HER ABILITY AND POTENTIAL.
4. PRIOR TO OFFERING HER PARTIAL GRANT, POST SUGGESTS THAT CU/EA PROGRAM OFFICER FIRST CONTACT HER DIRECTLY TO DETERMINE WHAT ADDITIONAL PROGRAM INTERESTS AND PLANS SHE MAY HAVE. HER UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPERVISOR HAS SUGGESTED PROVIDING HER WITH EXPOSURE TO U.S.

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WHERE ECONOMIC RESEARCH IS CARRIED OUT.
IF HER PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER INTERESTS ARE SUBSTANTIVE, POST IS
WILLING TO PROVIDE UP TO TWO WEEKS OF PER DIEM. WE ASSUME THAT
HER TICKET WILL COVER INTERNAL U.S. TRAVEL.

5. FYI MISS YAU ATTENDED WORKING DINNER IN JUNE HOSTED BY POST'S
TREASURY DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE FOR DR. LEONALL ANDERSEN,
SENIOR ECONOMIST AND VICE PRESIDENT, FEDERAL RESERVE BANK, ST.
LOUIS, WHEN HE WAS PROGRAMMED BY THE POST.
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